

House Resolution 1945

By: Representatives Dooley of the 38th, Ralston of the 7th, Porter of the 143rd, Keen of the 179th, Smyre of the 132nd, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Manager Bobby Cox on his amazing career in baseball and
2 inviting him to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Manager Bobby Cox has dedicated over three decades to Major League
4 Baseball as a player, general manager, and manager and has inspired awe and respect from
5 fans around the globe; and

6 WHEREAS, a native of Tulsa, Oklahoma, he played two seasons at the major league level
7 before becoming a coach and was called upon to head the Atlanta Braves in 1978, building
8 the team from the ground up to make the Braves a winning team during his third season as
9 the Braves' manager; and

10 WHEREAS, Bobby returned to the Braves as general manager after the 1985 season,
11 working diligently to accumulate young and talented players that would lead his teams to the
12 postseason for many years to come; and

13 WHEREAS, in 1991 the Braves became the first team to go from last place in one season to
14 first place in the next with an appearance in the World Series and started a record-breaking
15 streak of 14 consecutive division titles; and

16 WHEREAS, under his guidance and leadership, the Atlanta Braves have won five National
17 League pennants and the 1995 world title with a World Series championship win over the
18 Cleveland Indians, bringing great pride and jubilation to the people of Atlanta and the State
19 of Georgia; and

20 WHEREAS, the Braves' 2005 division title earned Bobby Cox a place in the record books
21 with 15 division championships, a Major League record for any manager; and

22 WHEREAS, Bobby Cox's four Manager of the Year awards makes him one of only four
23 managers to have won the award in both the American and National Leagues, and he has the
24 fourth-most wins of all managers in Major League history; and

25 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary
26 commitment and accomplishments of this outstanding individual for all he has done to
27 promote the City of Atlanta, this state, and his sport to the rest of the country and world.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
29 the members of this body recognize Manager Bobby Cox for his stellar career in baseball and
30 extend to him the best of luck on his final season.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Manager Bobby Cox is invited to be recognized by the
32 House of Representatives at a date and time to be designated by the Speaker of the House of
33 Representatives.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
35 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Manager Bobby Cox.